

An Athlete's Game-Winning Point

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I like to compare my laws of life with my four favorite sports, football, baseball, basketball, and wrestling. As an athlete, here are some rules that apply to both sports and life.

Baseball: Keep your eye on the ball.

Keep your eye on the ball. You never know when something in life will come your way, and if it does happen to come your way, catch it and take advantage of it. Don't let the ball, or life, play you. You must play it. If you don't watch the ball during the baseball, you won't be good at it. Focus on what you want for success, and go after what you really want. Never let anything else get your attention, get in your way, or distract you when you are trying to focus on one important subject or event.

Basketball: Pass the ball to your teammates.

Pass the ball. Share with others. Help the people in need. You wouldn't win a basketball game without passing to your teammates. Basketball is a team sport. Life can also be if you choose to make it. Give other people in your community or just someone you meet a chance. Be a team player. If you share in life, good things will come along, with people knowing they can trust you.

Football: Do not fumble the ball.

Hang on to the ball. Don't let go of important things in life. You shouldn't settle for something less than what you want. If you want to score a touchdown, you're not just going to let go of the football for an easier way out, but if you keep a hold of the ball, you will score a touchdown and be one step closer to being successful and winning. Keep a tight grip on your dreams and goals in life.

Wrestling: Never underestimate an opponent.

Never underestimate anything in life. If you underestimate an opponent in wrestling, you will probably lose. This rule also applies to many other sports and events in life. Whether it is a job, goal, or a dream, always try your hardest, and never underestimate the difficulty or anything else about it. You must work hard for what you want. Important things in life will not just be handed to you with ease.

Life can be thought of as a game, or sport. Have fun in this game, and live every day to its fullest. You never know what tomorrow will bring. These are my laws of life that I will try to follow to be a successful young man.